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REMARKS

The present response is intended to be fully responsive to all points of objection and/or rejection raised by the Examiner and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Applicants assert that the present invention is new, non-obvious and useful. Prompt consideration and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

Status of Claims

Claims 1-5 and 7-28 are pending in the application. Claims 1-5, 7-9, 13, 14, 17-20 and 28 have been amended.

Applicants respectfully assert that the amendments to the claims add no new matter. For example, support for that the "application software package enables users of a mobile ad-hoc network having the same application software installed on their devices to share and operate the installed application software of each other via communications within the ad-hoc network" can be found in paragraph [0026] of the published application. It is well known in the computer game field that users (e.g., gamers) operating game software (e.g. playing the game over an ad-hoc network) may operate each other's software via a network. See also Fig. 2.

CLAIM REJECTIONS

35 U.S.C. § 103 Rejections

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-5 and 7-28 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), as being unpatentable over Ahmed et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,816,460, "Ahmed") in view of Dunko et al. (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 20020183068, "Dunko").

Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection in light of the amendments and following arguments.

Applicants assert that neither Ahmed nor Dunko alone or in combination teach or disclose "... application software enables users of a mobile ad-hoc network having the same

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application software installed on their devices to share and operate the installed application software of each other via the ad-hoc network." While independent claims 7 and 18, as amended include different limitations from claim 1, as amended, for the purposes of the arguments in this paper, neither Ahmed nor Dunko alone or in combination teach the limitations of claims 7 or 18.

Regarding dependent claim 2, neither Ahmed nor Dunko alone or in combination teach or disclose a game which users of mobile devices play over an ad-hoc network.

Regarding dependent claims 8 and 19, neither Ahmed nor Dunko alone or in combination teach or disclose installing a game and establishing a sub-network, where establishing includes at least establishing a sub-network of said game users.

Each of claims 2-5, 6-17, and 19-28 depends, directly or indirectly, from one of independent claims 1, 7 or 18, which as discussed are allowable over the prior art rejections of record. Therefore, each of claims 2-5, 6-17, and 19-28 are likewise allowable.

Applicants request that the Examiner withdraw the rejection of claims 1-5 and 7-28 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), as being unpatentable over Ahmed in view of Dunko.

Conclusion

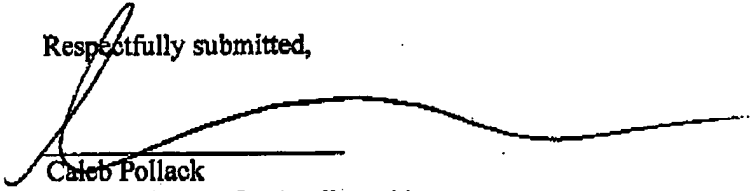
In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants assert the pending claims are allowable. Their favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner have any question or comment as to the form, content or entry of this Amendment, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below. Similarly, if there are any further issues yet to be resolved to advance the prosecution of this application to issue, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned counsel.

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